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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

SAVERIO CARL FALCO CASE NO.: BB1205USNA

APPLICATION NO.: 09/464528 GROUP ART UNIT: 1638

FILED: DECEMBER 15, 1999 EXAMINER:

FOR: S-ADENOSYL-L-METHIONINE SYNTHETASE

PROMOTER AND ITS USE IN EXPRESSION OF

TRANSGENIC GENES IN PLANTS

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2004, finally rejecting claims 13-24 of the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Response After Final because it is believed to put the claims in form for allowance. In the alternative, it is believed to put the claims in better form for consideration on appeal. Reconsideration is respectfully requested and the following is submitted in support thereof.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.